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JOSH SKAPIN & MARK LAYCOCK

Didsbury Review

The Didsbury Aquatic Centre was the scene of two lifethreatening incidents last week, which saw one man taken to hospital in critical condition after a near-drown-ing, which was thwarted by a Carstairs business owner, and a young boy saved after dropping several metres from a waterslide

An investigation is currently underway by Didsbury CAO Roy Brown and Town of Didsbury Parks and Recreation Manager Byron Sayer into both incidents involving Jesse Fuller, 33, and Nathan Thompson, 7, and recommendations, if any, will be presented to Didsbury town council to prevent any such incidents from happen-

In the first incident, Nathan was riding the waterslide at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre where he says another youth approached him from behind at approximately 4:30 p.m. on June 28.

"I went down the slide and another kid went behind e, and then beside me and he pushed me off," said Nathan.

According to Nathan, the push caused him to be tossed outside the confines of the slide and hang from the inner loop of the apparatus

Nathan was left dangling between 10 and 20 feet,

and Brown.

Denise remembers looking up at her son screaming and

trying to pull himself up.
"I was terrified to death," she said

That's when Chris Cummings, the father of one of Nathan's friends noticed the distressed child.

Cummings was near the swinging ropes at the pool when he heard the screaming and saw a gathering of peo-

ple looking up at Nathan.

"His toes and hands were caught and he was able to hang there for a few seconds," he said.

The Didsbury Fire Department had been alerted and

cording to a prepared statement by the town, were on their way to the scene.

one lifeguard on duty attempted to climb the slide and rescue the child. Cummings positioned himself

beneath Nathan's legs.
"I said 'Nathan, if you drop, I'll catch you,'...as he dropped he kind of looked like Spiderman coming

down."

Nathan dropped into Cummings' waiting arms – who then gently went to his knees providing, extra cushioning for the fall.

According to the release, Cummings received minor cuts and bruising to his knees, but Nathan was uninjured.

"He was shaken up," described Cummings, after sitting

"I was worried he was going to hit his head on the side of the slide on his way down, but he made it cleanly

In the second incident, which occurred on June 30, Jesse Fuller of Didsbury nearly drowned while attending a public swim.

Jesse has since has been released from Peter Lougheed

Hospital and is recovering after being rescued by pool patrons and lifeguards.

Jesse's wife Angela, said her husband has made an amazing recovery and has progressed so well that he'll be back to work within a week.

"It's amazing, absolutely amazing how a week ago my husband was in a trauma unit... and he's sitting up today and he's holding our daughter.

"It's God's miracle. Jesse had so many people praying for him.

Karen Langhor of Didsbury was attending the swim with her husband Steve and son Roddy when the incident occurred.

Karen said she was swimming in the deep end of the pool when she heard the screams of Jesse's six-year-old on Christian after his father had fallen lifeless at the bot tom of the pool.

At the time, she said the lifeguards on duty were occu-pied near the other end of the pool, and due to the loud music being played and the noise of surrounding swimmers, they weren't able to hear the cries of the young

"He was laying at the bottom of the pool, so at that time I yelled for my husband and the lifeguards and they were both in the shallow end talking and they couldn't hear said Langhor.

After notifying her husband, Karen said she dove underwater in an attempt to reach Jesse, but was unable to descend to the bottom of the pool. After she resur-faced, her husband was able to get the attention of lifeguards who promptly dove in and pulled him to the pool

Karen's husband Steve and the two lifeguards on duty then pulled Jesse out of the water and immediately performed CPR.

Karen said the two lifeguards worked feverishly to resuscitate him.

"It took a long time, it was very, very scary. It seemed like they were doing CPR forever." Angela arrived at the pool shortly after paramedics had

arrived, where she found her husband sitting at the end of the pool

She said the only thought on Jesse's mind at the time was his son.

"He was just really worried about (him)."

Jesse was rushed to Didsbury Hospital where doctors concluded he should be transferred to Foothills Hospital in Calgary

While on the way to Calgary, medical personnel were forced to pull over in an effort to control Jesse's breath-

Upon arrival to Foothills, he was then promptly transferred to the Laugheed intensive care unit.

"When I got there, he was in the trauma unit and the doctor...(had) called in the family because he didn't think Jesse would make it.

Angela said doctors told her it was unlikely Jesse

The doctors said he'd never seen such a case of white

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PARTY GIRLS - Ella Matchulis, Leah Rowe and Naomi Rowe dance the night away to the sounds of the Erlton Street Soul Band, during Canada Day celebrations at the Didsbury Multi Purpose Room.



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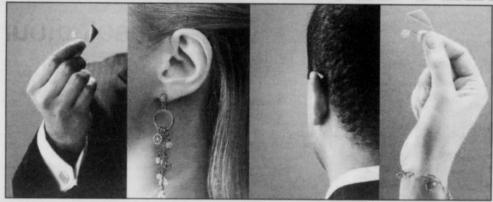




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WINGS OF A DOVE -A replica 1909 Etrich Taube, owned by Mike Scheuring of Canmore does a fly-by at the Didsbury Fun Flyers airstrip. Translated the name of the plane refers to its dove-shaped

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Over the course of the next 48 hours, Jesse's condition had gotten worse, but eventually rebounded, much to the astonishment of health officials.

"They said they'd never seen anyone walk out of the ICU," said Angela.

Despite the tragic events, Angela said God had a hand in it all, and insists her husband's recovery is nothing short of a miracle.
"My husband believes that God has a pur-

pose for him, and a huge purpose and he always wondered 'why me, why did God

Angela has hailed her son, Karen and the lifeguards as heroes.

"Our son is our hero and he is doing great, he just clings to his dad; he knows he did d and he's amazing."

(Karen) did everything right, and you know if it hadn't been for her I don't know, I don't want to think about that, but God knew that Jesse needed her.

Meanwhile. Karen said the events have had a profound impact on her life and that of her son and husband.

"That was so hard, when you witness omething like that and you realize it affects real people. My husband came home and was in tears because it could have been him.

Karen believes that the pool should consider hiring additional staff and should eliminate playing music during swim periods as a result of the incident.

Roy Brown, Didsbury CAO, said lifeguards on duty correctly followed procedure and did an "exemplary job" in resuscitating Jesse

Since the incident. Karen's family has yet to meet Jesse, Angela and Christian, but the two families have scheduled a visit with each

"They call Jesse the miracle boy," said Angela

"Jesse's not done and I think it's to show people what the power of prayer is and God's

Didsbury youth gun case adjourned

BY DAN SINGLETON For the Review

Two youths charged threats allegedly made to their Didsbury school in March will be back in court in three weeks.

The 12-year-old boys, who cannot be named. were scheduled to enter pleas in Didsbury youth court on June 23 but adjourned their cases

until July 21

made

Each boy faces charges of break and enter, theft under \$5,000, unauthopossession weapon and carrying a concealed weapon. One of the boys also faces a charge of uttering threats to cause bodily harm. Police seized a handgun

the boys

arrested on March 11. Police say threats were

in relation to

Westglen Middle School. The nature of those threats has not been made public.

Photos showing a sus-pect holding a handgun were posted on the internet prior to the boys' arrest

A special Crown pros cutor will be assigned to try the boys on the charges. Both accused have been released into the custody of their parents.

Didsbury High School wishes to thank the following community members, businesses and organizations for their support of our 2008 graduating students through their generous donations to the Didsbury high School Scholarship Fund Society. Your continued support of our students makes an immeasurable difference as they begin a new chapter of their lives, developing a secure future for tomorrow.

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Spanking debate serves public good

BY DAN SINGLETON

Proposed federal legislation that would make criminals out of parents and other adults who spank children has cleared the Senate and is now before the House of Commons.

The debate over the pros and cons of spanking has been ongoing in Canada for many, many years and this latest development will almost certainly not be the final chapter in the matter.

However, the fact the debate itself continues is an indication of just how deeply divided society is on the issue of childhood discipline and just how far adults should be allowed to go in 'correcting' their children's behavior.

Sponsored by Liberal Senator Celine Hervieux-Payette, the proposed new legislation would make it unlawful for any adult to strike any child except in very specific cases involving the child's safety.

What I'm saying is every citizen in this country will have their physical integrity preserved," said Hervieux-Payette.

While the legislation has virtually no chance becoming law under the Conservative minority government, Hervieux-Payette says she is confident the Dion Liberals would pass it if they win a majority in the next election.

Currently, Section 43 of the Criminal Code allows a parent, a person standing in the place of the parent, or a school teacher to use "force by way of correction" towards a young person over two years of age and under 13 years of age. The force must not "exceed what it reasonable under the circumstances

Under Hervieux-Payette's bill, parents and caregivers would be prohibited from spanking or otherwise striking a child, although they could still use force as a last resort to prevent a children from hurting himself or herself or other children.

The Foundation for Children, Youth and the Law, a national organization that promotes youth safety, has mounted a separate Supreme Court challenge against Section 43.

There is a simple, fundamental dignity issue that would say children should be treated as people who are entitled to be free from assault, the same as a anyone else," said Martha MacKinnon, the foundation's spokesperson.

Children, and all other citizens for that matter, are currently protected from assault under other sections of the Criminal Code. That being the case, the spanking debate is fundamentally not so much about what parents can and cannot do as it is about the status of children themselves.

The real question is, are children wards of their parents and caregivers or are they citizens in their own right? Until the spanking issue is finally resolved one way or another, that question will remain unanswered.

While the spanking controversy is unlikely to gain much attention in the next federal election campaign, it is an important public debate.



DR. HENRY MORGENTALER IS NAMED A MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA

Commentary

Eyes on Westglen



BY KATARINA GRAVES

June has been a flurry of events seeming to hap-pen all at once. We had the pan-cake breakfast, Grade 8 barbecue

Grade 5 camp, field frenzy, a band concert and a wonderful day at Camp Harmattan for all of those students who do volunteer work at Westglen. To kick off the always busy month of

June we had our final concert where the Grade 5s exhibited their much improved sound and the other grades showed up each other one after the other. All in all it was a great perform-ance by everyone. Thanks Mrs. Biggins for being an awesome band teacher.

Later on this month we found the chool a little more quiet than usual, this of course was due to the grade fives being shipped off to Pioneer Ranch Camp for a lovely three days of horseback riding, swimming, orien-teering and more. They looked a bit tired on return, but enjoyed them-

The same day the grade fives returned the grade eights trooped off to the Didsbury Campground for a fun day off and BBQ. Most people agreed the highlight of the BBQ was definitely the slip and slide. By the end of the ay you were either sopping wet or caked in mud. But the weather cooperated, the food was tasty and there was plenty to keep everyone occupied.

A thing to look forward to for a lot of

students was the volunteer's trip to Camp Harmatten, where we enjoyed a free day with rides on the zip line roasted hotdogs, games and general fun. We managed to leave a few strag-glers behind (Sorry Mr. Turnbull) but they made their way back in good

On Wednesday (last week) we had Field Frenzy, which was organized by ne of the fabulous Camp Harmatten staff. It was quite a busy day, we saved the world from "attacking aliens", we leapfrogged across fields, piggy-backed around and built a human rolling mechanism to cart each other around in a boat (who had the most ater left in a cup). The day was a fabulous wrap-up to the year; unfortunately we did have to return to school for one more day.

For our last day we relaxed in the classroom, drank slushies, cleaned up a bit then headed off to our last assembly of the year. Several people from each grade earned the Honour Roll; as well individual students received the Linda Pothier Award, Wildcat Spirit Award Leadership award and male/female athlete of the year awards. As a re-cap of the year Mr. Anderson put together a "video year-book", which entertained us and acted as a farewell to the Grade 8s who some of which will miss this school

My last teacher of the month is Mrs Carson. Mrs. Carson is a particularly excellent teacher who has certainly made a difference in lots of student's opinions of the classroom (for the bet-ter). She works hard at what she does, and it shows. She teaches with a style

all her own and her students look forward to classes with her. She gives opportunities to excel and provides time for everyone if you need extra help. This is her third year at Westglen and during her time she has run sever al very successful programs such as Drama Club, Young Authors Club and Art Club. There is absolutely nothing else she would have rather done than teach and she says she figured out that she wanted to be a teacher right after all the silly stuff, like being a superhero or a ballerina, was out of the way. Her favourite part about teaching is watching the change in individual stu-dents, whatever that change may be whether it is in their confidence or creativity. Teaching Grade 6 and 8 was definitely not planned, because she remembers walking into her class-room in grade eight, looking around and thinking (very seriously) there is no way I am teaching this grade, "they are so bad". But she did and she excelled at it, next year she will continue to work at Westglen but looks forward to only teaching grade eight. I'd like to personally thank Carson for introducing me to the idea of writing this column and helping me improve my writing along the way, Language Arts, Social and even Math have all been made much more fun with you teaching.

Lastly I'd like to wish everybody an excessively great summer and I hope you enjoyed reading this column, I did enjoy writing it. Thanks Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Carson and Mr. Skapin for this opportunity, it's been a

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PUBLIC MEETINGS & NOTICES

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Tuesday July 15, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers Tuesday August 26, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers

MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Wednesday July 16, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers

DIDSBURY LIFELINE SOCIETY:

Monday September 8, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chambers

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PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF DIDSBURY LAND USE BY-LAW 04-13

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council of Didsbury has passed first reading of a By-law to amend the present Land Use By-law 04-13 Map Schedule A as follows

That portion of land known as:

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(Fox Hollow) - South of Didsbury Cemetery be redesignated from the present UR (Urban Reserve) to R2 (Residential - General) and R5 (Residential – High Density)

as per the attached map.

A public hearing prior to second and third reading of the proposed By-law will be held July 15, 2008, commencing at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue. The hearing will be conducted under the chairmanship of the Mayor, or his designated person, for the purpose of hearing opinions and comments and/or objections to the proposed By-law. The style of the hearing will be informal and persons wishing to speak will be requested to state their name and address for the record upon being recognized by the Chairman. Opportunities to speak will not be restricted, but recognition to speak will be at the discretion of the Chairman. Written responses will also be accepted up until 12:00 noon July 15, 2008. The public may inspect a copy of the proposed Land Use By-law amendments at the Town of Didsbury Municipal Office, 2037-19 Avenue,

during regular office hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION of this notice: June 24, 2008 DATE OF SECOND PUBLICATION of this notice: July 1, 2008 DATE OF THIRD PUBLICATIONS of this notice: July 8, 2008

Robert Wigg, Planning and Development Officer

Summer Sports and Swim 7 years and older

Sports will consist of Ball Hockey, Soccer, and Basketball. Wrap up the day with a swim from 2-3:30pm.

Dates: July 8 - 31, 2008 or August 5 - 28, 2008

Time: 1:00pm - 3:30pm Location: Didsbury Aquatic Centre



Cost: \$85.00 Cost: \$85.00 Sports-only program pricing available as available as

well. For more information in regards to these programs please call 403-335-7369

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Notices

PENALTY was applied on July 2, 2008 on all current year outstanding balances in accordance to Bylaw 95-14



In and Around Didsbury

Marge St Clair

Two dates have been set for a program of "Summer Sports & Swim" - July 8-31 or August 5-28, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Didsbury Aquatic Centre. There is a charge. Please phone 335-7369 for more details.

Wednesday, July 9

The Farmers' Market will be open from 5 to 7:00 p.m. on the lower level of the curling rink. Tables for rent by phoning Laura at 335-4252.

Saturday and Sunday, July 12 &

These are the days of the huge garage sale at the Didsbury Museum. If you have donations to make, please phone the museum at 335-9295 or Frankie at 335-3633.

Saturday, July 12

The Mountain View Evangelical Church is inviting old friends and new faces to a free Stampede break fast from 9 to 11 a.m. You will drive 4 and a half km. east of Hwy. 2, oh sorry, the QEII on Hwy. 582 to arrive there but it will be well worth the trip.

July 14-18

Knox United Church will welcome children from Kindergarten age to Grade 7 to the Vacation Bible Adventure from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Please phone 335-8378 to register and for all the information

Important Notes from the Olds Legion for July: July 12 & 13

This is the weekend of the Annual Legion Pi please note the new venue is HAINSTOCK HALL. Live entertainment, horseshoe competition, great food. Camping great fun for the whole family.

Didsbury Royal Purple #317 Celebrates Forty Years - March 12, 2008

On March 3, 1968, 45 women became members of Didsbury #317. Today we have three left and only two are active in Lodge. Congratulations to you ladies!

They are Treasurer Irene Dickau and Pianist

Shirley Thompson.
P.H.R.L. Hilda Kroetsch is an inactive member.

P.D.D. Irene Dickau was our second Honoured Royal Lady and our first District Deputy for a twoyear term 1976/1977 and 1977/1978. Irene is our current Treasurer.

P.D.D. Shirley Thompson was our Pianist. She served as HRL in 1974/75 and 1975/76. District Deputy in 1999/2000. Congratulations to you on being our Pianist since 1980, a total of 33 years in all.

The hall was nicely decorated by Irene Dickau, Irene Collinge, Shirley Thompson 40th Anniversary Committee. Job well done ladies.

Irene Dickau did a collage of all each year's Executive from 1968 to 2008.

Irene Collinge our Historian had put out all of our History Books.

The tables were nicely decorated with purple placemats and 40 year sprinkles; there were yellow and purple balloon holders to complete the décor.

P.D.D. Eleonore Grafe had made a Anniversary banner.

H.R.L. Ellen Tevendale opened the meeting in short form at 7:30 p.m.

Irene and Shirley were presented corsages on behalf of the Past Honoured Ladies Social Club by president Kay Rylance.

Irene and Shirley were given their 40-year pins by H.R.L. Tevendale

H.R.L. Tevendale presented Kirsten Kurtz with a \$300 donation to help with expenses for the European basketball tourney she has been invited to participate in. She was accompanied by her mother Maryann Kurtz

We also had Jessie Tevendale as a visitor

Karen Smith thanked the Lodge for the floral arrangement given her and Jack to mark their forti-eth anniversary belatedly presented because they were on a cruis

Sunshine had given Helen Newton a carnation bowl after her laser eye surgery

Birthday greetings to Helen Newton, Elinor Clarke and Helen Lane. Nice to see you at our meeting Elinor.

Sympathy is extended to Helen Newton on the death of her brother-in-law.

Ladies participated in musical chairs in our bit of fun and neat prizes were awarded.

The evening ended with a light lunch and an ice cream birthday cake.

Everybody's Business



IAN TAYLOR Didsbury Trustee

school The year has come full circle once again and as students beg begin

holidays it would be good to reflect on our situation.

June always seems to bring out so many positive feelings. On the local level this was seen in the band concerts at Westglen and later at the High School. Both performances were supported by capacity audiences who could not fail to be impressed by the students' quality of playing. No other teacher is so publicly scrutinized as the band teacher at a concert where students' progress is on display for the community to judge. Heather Biggin and Kirk Wassmer continue to uphold the strong reputation that Didsbury has earned in instrumental music

Also on the local scene it is satisfying to see that the uncertainty surrounding some administrative posi-tions has been settled. High School Principal Garth Dagg, Westglen Principal and Vice-Principal Jeff Thompson and Carolyn Massel, all of whom were in an acting designation, have been given permanent roles. Their appointments appear to meet with the support of parents and staff. From my perspective, after going through the interviews with all the candidates it is reassuring to see how well our local people compare with applicants from other jurisdictions who are keen to move

Connected with that too is the departure of two well known Didsbury administrators, Corning from Westglen and Steve Thompson from Didsbury High They have both held the interests of students paramount during their years of stalwart service here. We thank them most sincerely and wish them all the best in their future endeavors. Steve will be an Acting Assistant Superintendent for the Division next year.

This month I attended two gradu-

ations in Didsbury, the first, modest in scale but very meaningful for the participants, was for students at the Outreach School (now renamed Career High). I was particularly moved by the achievement of severa! students who, for whatever rea-son, were on their own, supporting themselves by working yet studying to finish a high school diploma at same time.

The High School's graduation ceremony was an impressive community affair. I stress community because not only was the gym packed with proud relatives and friends but the many generous scholarships awarded students had been donated by community businesses, organizations, and individuals. Credit goes to Hilda Mary Hansen and the late Sharon Hansen and the late Sharon Israelson for organizing the pro-gram and raising a record amount of money this year.

Among the many achievements of the graduates, two stand out as being unique in my experience. The first was in scoring 100% on the pure math 30 diploma exam by Kitrina Penwarden. The second was in obtaining 174 credits by Gary Shultz (where 100 is required for a

Diploma and 140 is considered exceptional).

these young men and women go their various ways I hope they will all stay safe and be around for their ten year and twenty year reunions.

Now near the end of my first year back on the Board after a three year absence I have noticed some changes. Probably the most significant is the more generous level of government funding for our various operations. The government's five year deal with the ATA was widely publicized and has heralded a period of labour peace and a more However there itive atmosphere. are other examples of improved financial support that have gone unnoticed.

For example, four years ago our operations and maintenance budget was in dire straits. Electricity and gas prices had escalated and only the most urgent repairs got atten-tion. Perhaps it was the T.V. images of leaking school roofs in Calgary that changed the situation, but now that budget, like our budget overall, is healthy. The irony now is that we have the money to tackle a backlog of maintenance and repair work but have difficulty in a red hot economy finding enough trades people to do

This column is taking a break for the summer. I hope to talk with you again in September.

The opinions expressed in these articles are my own, not necessarily those of the Board. If you wish to contact me about educational mat-ters you may do so at - phone, 335-8575, or e-mail nanatee@telusplanet.net.



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(Left) Sharon Barefoot presents Volunteen of the Year plaque to Bethanay Vink, during a ceremony at the Didsbury Hospital. (Right) Elaine Sears is honoured as volunteer of the year.

Long-term care volunteers recognized

Over 1,000 hours for Sears

JOSH SKAPIN

Didsbury Review

Two Didsbury residents were honoured for their commitment to helping those in long-term care during a ceremony at the Didsbury Hospital last month.

Elaine Sears, who has logged 1,000 volunteer hours over the past two years, and volunteen Bethanay Vink, were recognized at the event.

Vink has been a member of the teen program since 2004, registering 200 hours of service during that span.

of service during that span.

"She's a special young lady," said volunteer coordinator Dawna Faryna of Vink.
"She's very well liked by all the nursing staff and residents. The residents just love her."

Among the other characteristics pos

sessed by Vink, Faryna says her kind-heartedness has been appreciated.

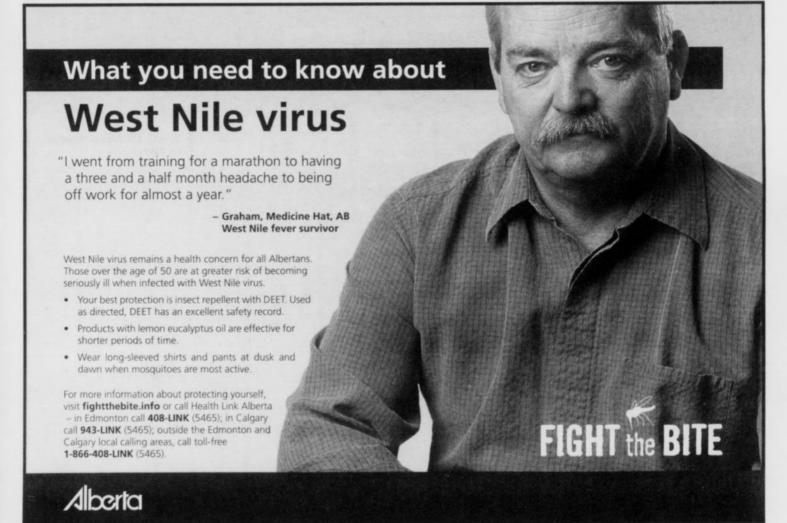
"She has a really nice personality and is always willing to help others," she said.

"There was a choice to be made between all the teens to help out on one of the other units. I asked one of them to make the decision and Bethanay stepped up to the plate and made the decision to help this other person." The volunteen program is meant to provide young people interested in pursuing a career in medicine hands-on experience.

Sears' volunteer work started when visiting her spouse living in unit 4.

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"She still comes, every Saturday,
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out with the breakfasts...Elaine Sears is
amazing," said Faryna.



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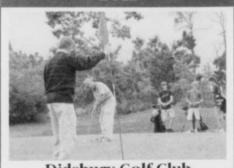
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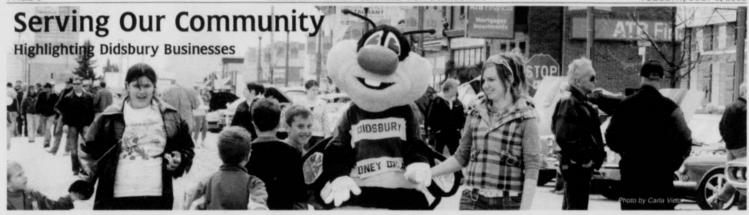


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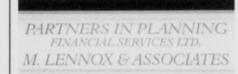
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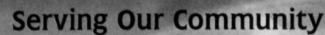


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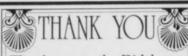
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Christopher Cummings

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> Thanks Chris. Denise, Mark & Nathan Thompson

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The Mandatory Ignition Interlock Program is part of the Alberta Government's commitment to increase safety on our roads and decrease drinking-and-driving incidences.

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County decries vigilante action

BY DAN SINGLETON MVG Staff

In an extraordinary move, Mountain View County has come out against comments made by a self-described animal activist outside the Didsbury courthouse.

Drew Marceton confronted accused dog torturer Daniel Charles Haskett as he left the court following a hearing before Judge Ian Kirkpatrick.

After hurling abuse at Haskett and his mother, Marceton told reporters the following: "Maybe it's time

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the vigilantes of Mountain View County should get after him (Haskett)."

The Mountain View Gazette had Marceton's comments but chose not to publish them. However, several other national media outlets did publish Marceton's comments, prompting the county to reply.

"Widely reported comments in the national media by an alleged resident of the town of Didsbury, calling for action from so-called 'vigilantes of Mountain View County', do not reflect the views of Mountain View County residents, its municipal Council, or administration,"

CAO DOUG PLAMPING

In a press release issued on July 1, Mountain View County said Marceton's comments in no way reflect the view of county council, staff or residents.

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"While the circumstances surrounding the events in question are very disturbing, Mountain View County, a progressive rural municipality located in the heart of the Calgary— Edmonton corridor, in no way condones the use of vigilante action in this or any other situation.

Haskett has pleaded guilty to two charges — animal cruelty and obstruction of justice—related to severe injuries caused to a Lab-collie cross named Daisy Duke.

Haskett and a 17-year-old youth were charged soon after the dog was found on a Didsbury street. Both accused later pleaded guilty, with the youth handed community service hours and probation.

During Haskett's most recent court appearance, he made an application to have his guilty verdicts set aside. He testified that he only entered the guilty pleas to end community harassment, which he said included death threats and assaults.

The judge will rule on the application to vacate the charge on Oct. 21. If he decided the pleas should remain in place, the judge will then sentence Haskett.

You're Invited We're listening

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) is meeting with members of the community to provide information and to hear your feedback on the need for reinforcement of the transmission system between the Edmonton and Calgary regions. Construction of a new transmission line between the regions is being considered within the grey study area of the map. A second reinforcement is forecast to be needed in the next few years. After receiving community input, AESO will make decisions on need and preferred routing and file a Needs Identification Document with the Alberta Utilities Commission.

Information will be available on options being considered for reinforcement.

Two transmission facility owners, AltaLink and ATCO Electric, will also be in attendance to answer your questions.

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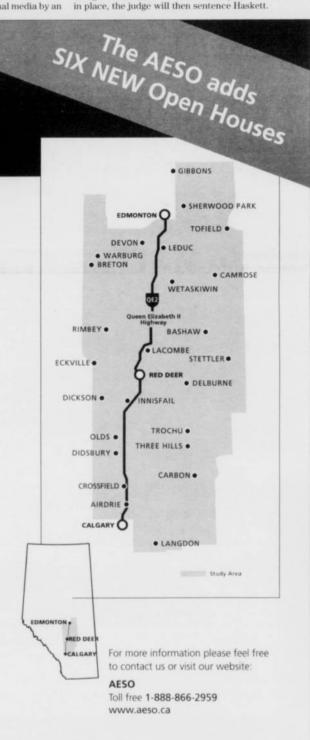
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Mark Laycock/Didsbury Review SCOTTISH CONNECTION-

Sutherland Schools pipe band from Golspie Scotland per-formed in Carstairs Sunday

night. Didsbury's Harold Leslie was instrumental in bringing the

Leslie believed it was significant that the band play in Carstairs due to its connection with Hugh

Sutherland school - named after a man who hailed from

band to the area.

Two medals at districts

BY JOSH SKAPIN

Didsbury Review

Two Didsbury minor soccer teams were medalists at district finals two weeks

The U14 girl club called the Diablo took home the silver medal.

"In our seven years being in Didsbury and our kids playing soccer every year, they had never made it to the playoffs - so I am very proud of all the kids this on how hard they played. They were awesome," said head coach Karen Osorio de Barros.

club Drumhellar before losing to Acme, the top team in the league during the regular season, in the gold medal final.

The U18 mixed team called the Torpedoes won the bronze medal.

"They played well with team work and passing, they get a long very well and used everyone," said head coach Melanie Lappala.

Horse show returns

The Didsbury Annual Horse Show is expected to draw well when it holds its agricultural grounds this weekend.

Margaret Volunteer Johnston says there are a wide variety of classes.
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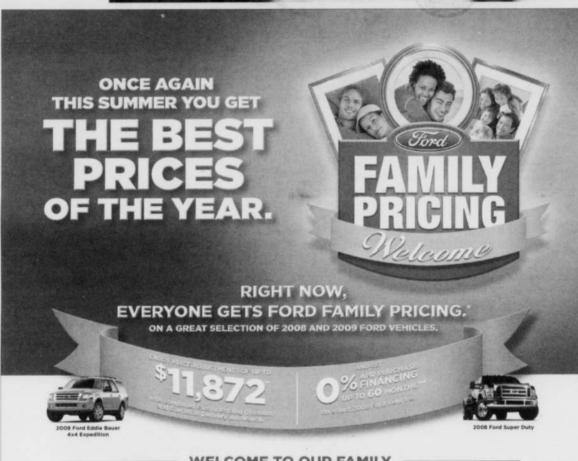
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Golfers off to junior provincials

BY ANDREW WILD Didsbury Review

There will be a little local content at the Alberta

Junior/Juvenile Boys Golf Championship this week.
Olds resident Jason Thiels, 17, will be taking part in
the 72-hole open championship at The Bridges Golf Club
in Claresholm beginning today (Tuesday) and running through Friday

Also competing will be Didsbury's Cole Robertson. The 15-year-old member of the Carstairs Golf Club qualified for the tournament by finishing in the top nine at a qualifying tournament.

He shot eight-over at Maple Ridge Golf Club in Calgary on July 4 to earn his spot in the 15 and under draw.

Thiels received an exemption directly into the final tournament.

At stake in the provincial tournament are several provincial team berths. Included are spots on the Alberta team in the Canadian championships, the provincial junior development team, the junior Americas Cup teams and the Alberta-Montana Cup team.

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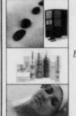
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Virgil Lester Merle Stauffer went to be with the Lord suddenly June 29, 2008. Virgil was born June 29, 2008. Virgil was born in Didsbury, Alberta November 27, 1940, to Lloyd and Emma Stauffer, the fourth son of a family of seven boys and one girl. He attended Clover Mount one-room country

and one girl. He attended Clover Mount one-room country school for the first seven years, getting there by bike, horse or shank's pony. He completed the remainder of high school in Didsbury, each morning hurrying to complete his assigned chores of milking cows, feeding chickens and slopping pigs, in order to catch the school bus. He took a year off from schooling at age 15 to work with his dad on the mixed dairy farm, five miles west of town. Immediately following high school, Virgil attended Mountain View Bible College in Didsbury receiving his Bachelor of Theology degree. For a short time he enjoyed farming but soon realized God was calling him to a lifetime of ministry. He pastored churches in Alberta, British Columbia and the US. Later he continued his theological training at Goshen, Indiana which included one year studying at the Institute of Holy Land studies in Israel. Virgil later received his Doctor of Ministry at Asbury Theological Seminary in 1984. During his pastoral ministry, he led churches in Indiana and the three western provinces and served as a Professor as well as President of Mountain View Bible College. While he served as president, he was influential in the merger of this College with Hillcrest Bible College in Medicine Hat — which became Calgary's Rocky Mountain College. Dr. Virgil in ministry became a colleague, close friend, spiritual advisor and mentor to so many folks. Thousands of people hold a piece of Virgil—he lived to give of himself to anyone who needed him. Few have been so gifted in sensing another's need, and in responding with such compas-- he lived to give of himself to anyone who needed him. Few have been so gifted in sensing another's need, and in responding with such compassion and spiritual insight. He demonstrated such an intense love for the Lord and deep caring for people. Quietly asking the right questions, he made you think more deeply, sometimes raising an issue that you may have been attempting to ignore. He skilfully brought several churches through deep waters, helping them solve serious issues and form a stronger community. An influsive processing the serious issues and form a stronger community. An influsive processing the serious issues and form a stronger community. An influsive processing the serious issues and form a stronger community. through deep waters, helping them solve serious issues and form a stronger community. An influencer of denominations, institutions and organizations, perhaps his greatest ministry lay in his ability to lead so many individuals to a deeper understanding of their spirituality and to a closer relationship with the Lord. This man of God seemed to travel so far ahead of us all yet so effectively warmly walked alongside individuals. His four decades of ministry extred as the school-His four decades of ministry served as the school-house that prepared him for the culmination of house that prepared him for the culmination of his life of servanthood. For the past seven years, he served as director of King's Fold Retreat Center west of Cochrane. Leading the Center through a series of changes, while overseeing several construction projects, he also administrated, counselled, led seminars and training programs. Virgil is survived by his loving wife Irene of 45 years along with their three children, Myrna Lee (Greg), Wesley (Sandy), and Michael (Carla). Five grandchildren: Amanda (Ryan), Holly, Michael, Andrew, and Ashley. He was predeceased by his parents and sister-in-law, Doreen (Ray), and brother-in-law Ernie (June). Virgil is survived by six brothers and one sister: Willard (Marilyn), Ray (Jan), Clifford, Arnold (Betty), Lillian (Louis), Edward (Joyce), Lyle (Daphne); and several aunts and uncles, nephews and Lillian (Louis), Edward (Joyce), Lyle (Daphne); and several aunts and uncles, nephews and nieces, and grand nephew/nieces; his sister-in-law June Neufeld, Joyce Lachman (Clarence), brother-in-law Alan (Rose). Celebration Services will be held July 7, 2008 at the Centre Street Church in Calgary at 11:00 a.m. (3900 2nd Street N.E. Main Campus) with Rev. Glen Fretz officiating. A private interment will take place in Didsbury Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, friends may make memorial tributes in Dr. Virgil's memory to The King's Fold Kitchen Project. http://www.kingsfoldretreat.com/ Heartland Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with Funeral Services Ltd., Olds entrusted with arrangements, 403-507-8610

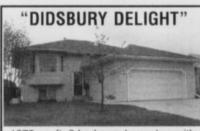




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REMARKABLE FAMILY HOME



SPECTACULAR ACREAGE

Build your dream home! 13 acres of beautifully treed land. Sloping hillside: great drainage Walking distance to golf course



GREAT LAYOUT

stairs 2 Storey, 1506 sq.ft. sedrooms, pie-shaped lot, quiet cul-de-sac.



GREAT POTENTIAL

run your business, commercial zoning, Hwy access off #27.



BEAUTIFUL FAMILY HOME

Mature Yard at this 4 level ge kitchen, fireplace, ool table and hot tub.



20 ACRES

East of Hwy #2, this home is 1400 sq. ft. 3 bedrooms, double garage, large shop. Great cattle operation.



OUTDOORSMAN'S PARADISE



80 ACRES



BEAUTIFUL 1/4 SECTION



GREAT HORSE SETUP

9 acres with a 60'x160' riding arena. 13 heated box stalls. 2880 sq.ft. bungalow. Mountain view; lovely landscaping.



PICTURESQUE 1/4 SECTION

ed with creek plus 2 storey ome & quonset. Watch the elk & deer roam free.



LIGHT INDUSTRIAL LOTS

starting at \$149,000

We have serviced 1 ac lots available for immediate use. Located in Didsbury.



COMMERCIAL

RESTAURANT OPPORTUNITY

\$225,000

Business for sale. New renovations cluded, 64 seat capacity, return on your investme



COMMERCIAL VENTURE

\$449,900

Large building with family quecluded, perfect for restauran



\$450,000

Nestled in the rolling hills of Sundre 12 acre campground. Open barbeque wash house, creek, over 35 stalls.



LIGHT/COMMERCIAL RES.

\$619,900

New 1200 sq. ft home. Separate 11 sq. ft. suite. Dbl. att. + 6 bay detact garage. Great investment propert



\$638,000

4000 sq. ft. shop on 1 acre, rfect for large truck/car opera-on. Relocate your business to Didsbury.



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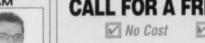


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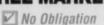


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